AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) <u>A metal Metal</u> oxide complex powder obtained by polymerizing a polymerizable and unsaturated group-containing monomer via a polymerization initiation group introduced onto the surface of at least one metal oxide selected from the group consisting of zinc oxide, titanium oxide and cerium oxide, wherein the primary particle diameter of said metal oxide complex powder is 1 μm or less.
- 2. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic Cosmeties comprising the metal oxide complex powder of claim 1.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The <u>cosmetics</u> according to claim 2, wherein the metal oxide is present inside of the complex powder.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The <u>cosmetics</u> <u>cosmetic</u> according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the metal oxide complex powder is obtained by polymerization in the presence of a transition metal complex.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The eosmetics cosmetic according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the metal oxide complex powder is obtained by polymerization in the presence of a halogenated copper and an organic compound capable of coordination with copper.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The eosmetics cosmetic according to claim 2 any of claims 2 to 5, wherein the polymerization initiation group is a halogenated alkyl group.

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- 7. (Currently Amended) Use of A method of preparing a cosmetic composition comprising mixing the metal oxide complex powder of claim 1 with at least one cosmetic material for cosmetics.
- 8. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 3, wherein the metal oxide complex powder is obtained by polymerization in the presence of a transition metal complex.
- 9. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 3, wherein the metal oxide complex powder is obtained by polymerization in the presence of a halogenated copper and an organic compound capable of coordination with copper.
- 10. (New) The cosmetic according to claim 3, wherein the polymerization initiation group is a halogenated alkyl group.